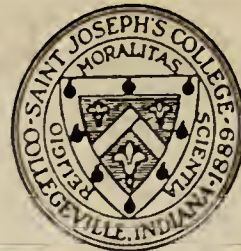


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Newly elected Student Association officers: Tim Campbell, secretary; Michelle Shuck, treasurer; Tom Stefaniak, president; Therese Yanan, executive vice-president; and Herschel Richie, director of SUB. (photo by: Bob Pieper)

Students Elect Officers

Stefaniak Prevails After 3-Way Runoff

by Michael Conlon

Elections for the 1986-87 St. Joseph's Student Association were held on April 2. Tom Stefaniak was elected president after a run-off between the top three candidates. He has appointed Therese Yanan as his executive vice-president. Other elected officers are Tim Campbell, secretary, and Michelle Shuck, treasurer. The faculty advisor for the board will be Dr. Mary Margaret Smith, also newly appointed this year.

Although the year is not over, the officers have already taken their positions. At present, they are busy getting settled into their new jobs. They have also been busy working on such projects as Little 500 Weekend and the election of the Little 500 Queen, as well as the elections of next year's class officers. They have also appointed the chairpersons to various S. A. and SUB com-

mittees. Stefaniak himself is also preparing for an upcoming meeting with the Board of Trustees.

On Monday, April 21, the board held a meeting to plan next year's calendar. They would like to encourage any organizations who have not listed their events on the calendar to do so, so that they may be able to avoid any schedule conflicts next year.

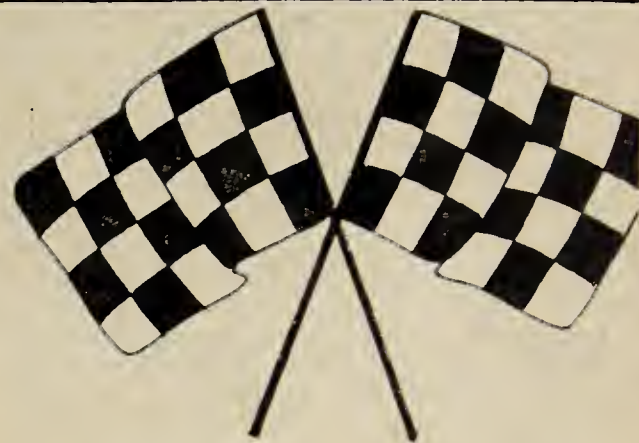
For next year, the officers are already working on the perennial cable problem. They are also trying to establish relationships with some of the neighboring colleges. They hope that in doing this, they will be able to share ideas, solutions to problems, and perhaps find some answers for some of the common problems that the different colleges have.

In all, the officers are very much looking forward to next year. They would also like to en-

courage your input as they are there to help you.

Appointments made to different S. A. committees by the board are as follows: Mary Sue Banet, Academic; Jenny Worden, Admissions; Mary Ryan, Legal Affairs; Paul Sommers, Social Welfare; Nicolette Boulanger and Bob Novak, Student Affairs with Stan Skawinski as Resident Assistant Representative; and Steve Lacni, Telecommunications. Dorm governors are yet to be elected and Mr. Reagan has yet to make an appointment for the athletic committee.

SUB committee appointments are as follows: Herschel Richie, Director; Michelle Shuck, Commencement; Celine Temple, Communications; Lisa Schroeder, Organization of Campus Clubs; Mercedes Sheehy, Fine Arts; Sean Carroll, Little 500; Lee Such, Movies; and Joy Horvat, Special Events.



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Newsbriefs

Monday sophomore Mike Boyda competed in the Boston Marathon.

Boyda qualified to run in the marathon because of his qualifying times from races over the summer. He left campus last Wednesday in order to practice and attend running seminars.

Boyda commented, "It is a runner's dream to run in the Boston Marathon."

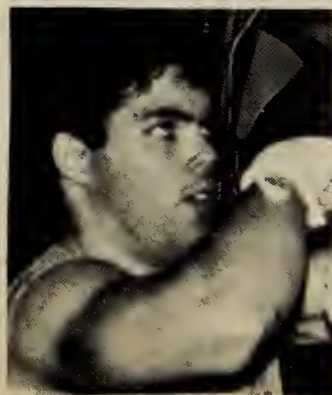
His final standings will not be known until next week.

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Freshman Bill Evans boxed his way to the final competition in Chicago's Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament. Monday night he battled Greg Hornberger for the championship title and the chance to go to the national competition in Iowa City.

Evans lost the fight when it was called in the first round, because Evans' nose was broken.

Evans said, "I think fighting seven matches in three weeks got to me."



Bill Evans (photo by: Therese Yanan)

Many students walking to classes have noticed some construction occurring at Merlini Hall and at Halleck Center. In Merlini fire escapes and new wiring are being added on each floor. The Halleck Center's roof was replaced with a brand new one.

Merlini and Halleck Center are not the only buildings on campus that will be worked on. Many of the other dorms will have smoke detectors placed in the halls. How much will this cost? According to Mr. Pollack, in charge of the buildings, the entire bill for this undertaking will be around \$750,000.

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Saturday night students may have noticed rescue vehicles at Lake Banet. They were called to the scene after student security officer Mike Boyda rescued a student who attempted to go swimming in the lake.

Boyda was the first one at the lake and tried to stop the student. Campus security arrived and shortly thereafter left, at the student's request, to get Ernest Watson, Head of Campus Security. By that time, the student was up to his chest in water, Boyda explained. "He went under twice and called for help. I took off my shoes and went in after him."

Since that time, Boyda was commended for his efforts. Also, campus security was reprimanded for leaving the scene.

PEANUTS® by Charles M. Schulz

Commentary: A "Fresh"man's View Of Our Campus Newspaper

Eight months ago, I arrived as a newcomer to Saint Joseph's College and to the STUFF staff. I had my newspaper grant in hand and high expectations for the year ahead when I would be working on a real collegiate newspaper. Unfortunately my expectations were never reached. I wouldn't label these past two semesters working on STUFF a waste of time and effort but I can't call them really worthwhile either. What I have discovered is that our newspaper isn't of high quality and STUFF staff members are becoming extinct like the once-great dinosaur. That isn't something that we "remaining dinosaurs" are proud of. We want nothing more than to give SJC's students, faculty, administrators, and alumni an entertaining and informative newspaper that they can be proud of. Unfortunately we have found that a very difficult task to achieve.

From what I understand, STUFF was a very successful and highly-regarded college newspaper in the 1960's and 70's. It has a long history too. In fact, the next academic year will mark STUFF's 50th anniversary. Sometime in the last several years, STUFF lost its credibility. Everyone on the current staff has faced an uphill battle since they came here. In a nutshell, we've gotten very little support from the administration,

faculty, our advisers, and the student body. This has been very frustrating for those of us who are editors. Our call-out for new staff members produced very little. We even arranged a meeting with several faculty members and attended a state collegiate newspaper convention in hopes of remedying the situation, but those endeavors weren't too successful either.

For those of us interested in the print media field for jobs, the problems with the newspaper are very discouraging because they reflect back on those of us who are editors now. The quality of the newspaper makes us look somewhat incompetent. We have the necessary financial support to put out a quality newspaper but not the necessary manpower. STUFF's future is looking brighter however. We got some needed equipment this year and we are expecting some new facilities next year too. In addition, the school's journalism program is growing so any prospective journalists should be interested in getting some practical experience by working on the campus newspaper. With any luck, we at STUFF hope to celebrate the newspaper's 50th anniversary by improving its reputation from the last several years.

David P. Benner

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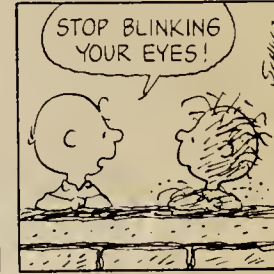
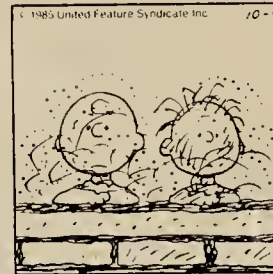
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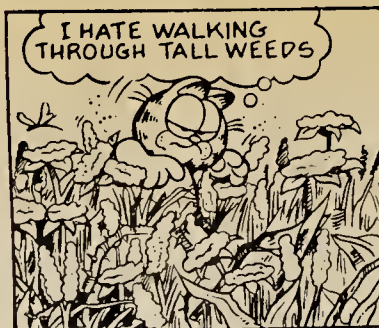
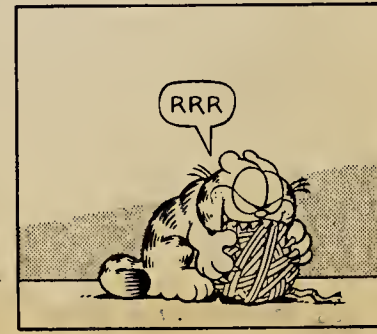
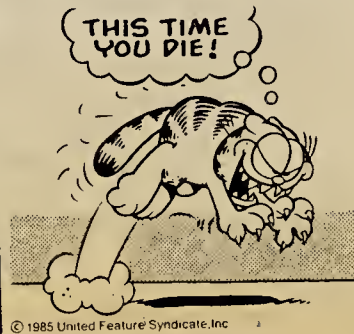
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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I have recently heard some news that I find very upsetting. It seems that a number of freshmen, and even some sophomores, are unable to live on the same floor, and in some cases even the same dorms, that they did this year. This was either because of upperclassmen moving in, or freshmen moving in because their floor had been closed.

Needless to say, these people are very upset, and I do not blame them for being so. I feel that after I have spent my first year in college making friends and establishing relations on a floor, that I would not appreciate going through another such process of adjustment.

I also find the reason they have been given for this happening is not very strong. The reasons are rather unclear ones that have something to do with seniority, more money paid by upperclassmen, and it basically being chance. Actually, they all seem to come down to saying one thing, "That's the way it is, and we're not going to change it."

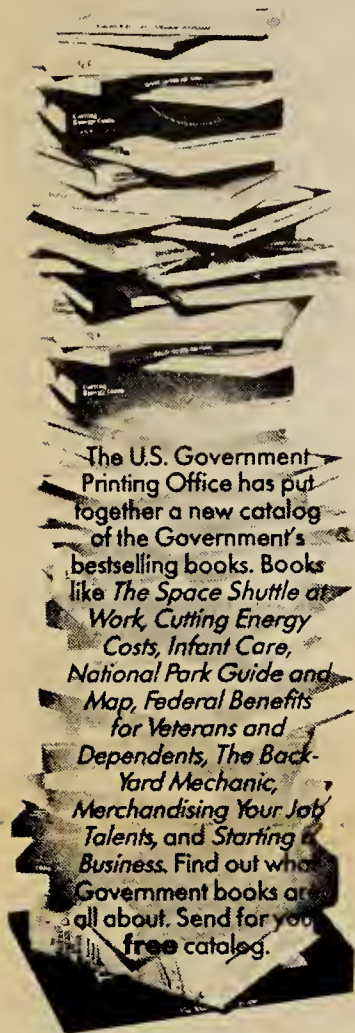
But why does it have to be that way, and why cannot they change it? I realize that it is too late to do anything now, but what about next year? Some of the upperclassmen have said that when they first came here that returning students were guaranteed their rooms back.

Why was this practice discontinued? It seems to make sense to me. Or at the very least, why couldn't they guarantee rooms in the same dorm? Then they could let those individuals who wished to move in do so.

I remember a statement from a letter I received when I was planning on coming here. It said that living in a dorm would be one of the most interesting parts of your college career. But when it is handled like this, it seems like a nightmare, and defeats the community they are trying to build here.

Michael P. Conlon

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Muday Performs At 1986 Spring Concert

by Amy Caeder

Scarlet Harmony performed its spring concert on Sunday, April 13, in the auditorium.

The concert also featured guest trumpeter Mark Muday. The hour-long concert was directed by Fr. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S. It consisted of jazz, pop, and classical tunes.

The first section of the concert featured pop tunes. Pieces performed were: "Overture for Winds," "Pas Redouble," "Serenade for Wind Band," and "Selections from Cats."

Classical pieces performed by the Scarlet Harmony Saxophone Quartet comprised the second section of the concert. Selections played included: "Choral," "Andante Grazioso," "Allegro Robusto," and "Vignette."

Mark Muday played "Jersey Bounce," a trumpet solo, to begin the third and final segment of the concert, the jazz music. Three Saint Joseph's students

performed solos throughout this segment. Pam Brooks, Mary Kooi, and Dave Lund each

played keyboard, tenor saxophone, and percussion solos, respectively. Selections includ-

ed: "She's Out of My Life," "Under Lock and Key," "Main Street," Coconut Champagne," and "Rock Slide."

Scarlet Harmony Concert Band

Flutes: Joy Horvat, Melanie Jones

Clarinets: Denise Cordrey, Julie Doyle, Gidget Kuhn, Jill Martin, Beth Nolan, Terri Sheehan

Alto Saxophone: Matt Hapke, John Stanley

Tenor Saxophone: Mary Kooi
Baritone Saxophone: Kris Adney

Trumpets: Eric Boos, Wayne Borowski, Shannon Harding, Mike Stanley

French Horn: Karen Johnson, Monique Saliga

Trombones: Tim Boyda, Toma Steigmeyer

Baritone: Barb Dietzen

Tuba: Virginia James

Percussion: Dave Lund



Fr. Lawrence Heiman C.P.P.S. directs members of the band Scarlet Harmony during the recent spring concert.

(photo by Bob Pieper)

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Core Catches On Across Country

By Katherine Conlon

To most people "core" is a generic term. However, to Saint Joseph's students Core is 45 credit hours of reading, writing, presentations, and a lot of sweat. For administrators it is a general education curriculum implemented here in 1969.

Today, Core programs are sprouting at colleges across the country. They are not minor images of the Saint Joseph's program, but the idea of a general education program is present. The Philadelphia Inquirer states the idea is "to have all students regardless of their major becoming proficient in a single core of subject areas."

Saint Joseph's core program was voted on in August of 1968. The following August it was implemented. The class of 1973 graduated as the first class with four years of Core. One major reason the school changed from a cafeteria education to a general education is the faculty viewed the faculty education as a series of introductions into everything that led nowhere. Dr. John Nichols, Vice President for Academic Affairs, explained that the interdisciplinary Core program explicitly tries to tie things together more like life situations.

There is no one sided view of life; moreover, problems don't clearly split into economic or political areas. Nichols said the Core program helps students in that "It is a better way of studying real life problems."

Eight or ten of the nation's colleges are reviewing the academic curriculum and most were instituting new general education requirements, placing more emphasis on writing, communications, mathematics and reasoning, a recent survey by the American Council of Education found. Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. John Nichols, commented that he has a file with at least 250 letters inquiring into the Core program here.

Nichols added insight into the reason why core curriculums are reemerging. "Colleges are trying to eliminate fragmentation of curriculum by guaranteeing graduates will have encountered Plato, Aristotle, etc."

Temple University in Pennsylvania is in the process of setting up a general curriculum. It requires students to take a total of thirty-three to forty credit hours in eight broad categories. Students have to take two math, statistics or logic; two in physical

science or technology; two in western civilization, etc. Nichols expressed his concern for this type of program because it would still fragment the intellectual world. People would go off in their own direction and wouldn't be able to interact with anybody.

Saint Joseph's is viewed by the Carnegie Foundation as one sample of the contemporary version of the Core program. The foundation recommends if colleges are setting up a general education program a common core program is advised. If a cafeteria education has to be offered, the school has to have an academic rationale for why students have to take specific courses.

In the past two years, Saint Joseph's has been mentioned in fifteen publications simply for its Core curriculum. This is not including the numerous newspapers the Core curriculum has been written up in. "Almost anyone studying general education will run over Saint Joseph's because it's known for its reputation all over the country," Nichols added. "It is now seen that a good education program is one of the indications of a quality education."

Cable Improvements Seen

by Amy Caeder

Members of the Telecommunications Committee, along with S.A. advisor Brian Capouch and Vice President for Student Affairs William Maniscalco, have been working on improving the current cable system. Members of the committee include Dave Calcutta, Ralph Loura, and Chairman Tony Hoop.

"We presented to the Board of Trustees our concern that 20% of the S.A. budget went to pay a loan for the satellite dish, then it didn't work," Maniscalco said. "The trustees studied the situation and recommended changes."

One recommendation was to bring in a consultant to fix the dish. The consultant made no guarantees that he would be able to make it work any better.

A major problem was the college had its own dish and would have to pay royalty fees for the cable channels it was receiving. Fees could range from ten cents

a set for some channels up to \$4.50 for Home Box Office (HBO). Research done by the committee found that the college was entitled to receive the cable signal from the Rensselaer Cable Company. A technician then connected the college to the cable company's system and a bulk rate for royalties was discussed.

Quality of reception each set receives depends on the quality of the television and the quality of connection in each room. The amplifiers in each dorm are tuned periodically to improve the sound and picture quality received. With the hookup to the town system, many of the problems have been eliminated.

"We've done a survey to show Maniscalco how many people on campus have televisions," Hoop continued. "Maniscalco thinks that few people have televisions so they should only be in the lounges of the dorms."



Little 500 photos
by Bob Peiper and
Brian K. Morton

Keyser Sets Record At Annual Little 500

by Anna Williamson

Saint Joseph's annual Little 500 weekend was highlighted by Scott Keyser's record-breaking victory in the go-kart race. Keyser earned pole position and led the pack for nearly the entire race. He traveled a record 225 laps, breaking the old record of 186.

There were 15 entries in the race, and about two-thirds of them completed the three hour, 45 minute endurance test. About three hours into the race, John Roach jumped ahead and offered Keyser a close battle for first place during the final hour of the race. Roach wound up in second place and was followed by Bruce Matthews, Tom Stefaniak, and Barclay Dwight.

Preparation for the race got underway a year ago with plans for changes and improvements. The most noticeable change was that of the addition of a bridge crossing the track in front of Seibert Hall. The black plastic fence was new this year and was purchased for safety reasons. Little 500 chairman Jim Seibert says that the wooden fence used in past years presented a danger because when hit by karts, it left jagged edges that could injure the next person to hit the fence.

Another change was letting the drivers rebuild their own engines if they wanted to. A weight-limitation rule was added

which said the kart and driver could weigh no less than 275 pounds. Seibert says this change was made to slow the race down and make it more competitive. A final change was the addition of plywood retaining walls which served to protect spectators from the karts and to protect karts from hitting obstacles outside the course.

Budget posed the main problem for this year's race. "It seems every time we turned around, our budget was being cut," Seibert says. The final budget stood at \$1900, down from last year's \$3300 figure. Seibert credits Sean Carroll with generating income from local advertisers to compensate for the cuts.

Grand Marshaling the 23rd annual Little 500 race was Father William Kramer, C.P.P.S. Seibert says Fr. Kramer was selected because he is a long-time member of the Saint Joe College community, and he has helped for several years with fuel testing for the race. "It was time for him to finally step up and get some recognition," Seibert says.

Little 500 committee members and volunteers Seibert acknowledges for "stepping up and rising to the occasion" include John Baggio, Phil Rosner, Ron Clites, Carroll, Timmy Malarney, Paul Noll, Marie Vigeant, and Steve Morenz.

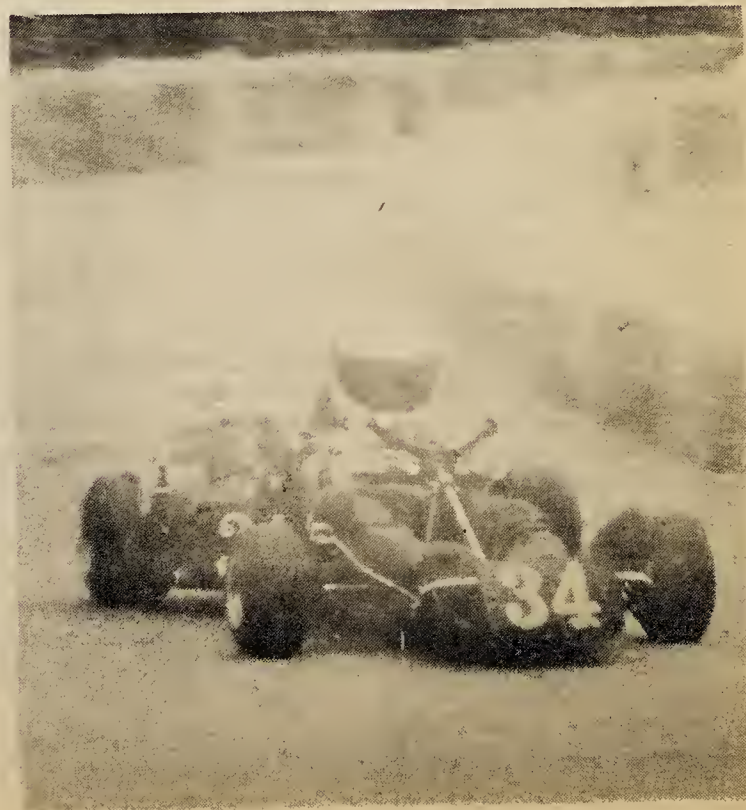
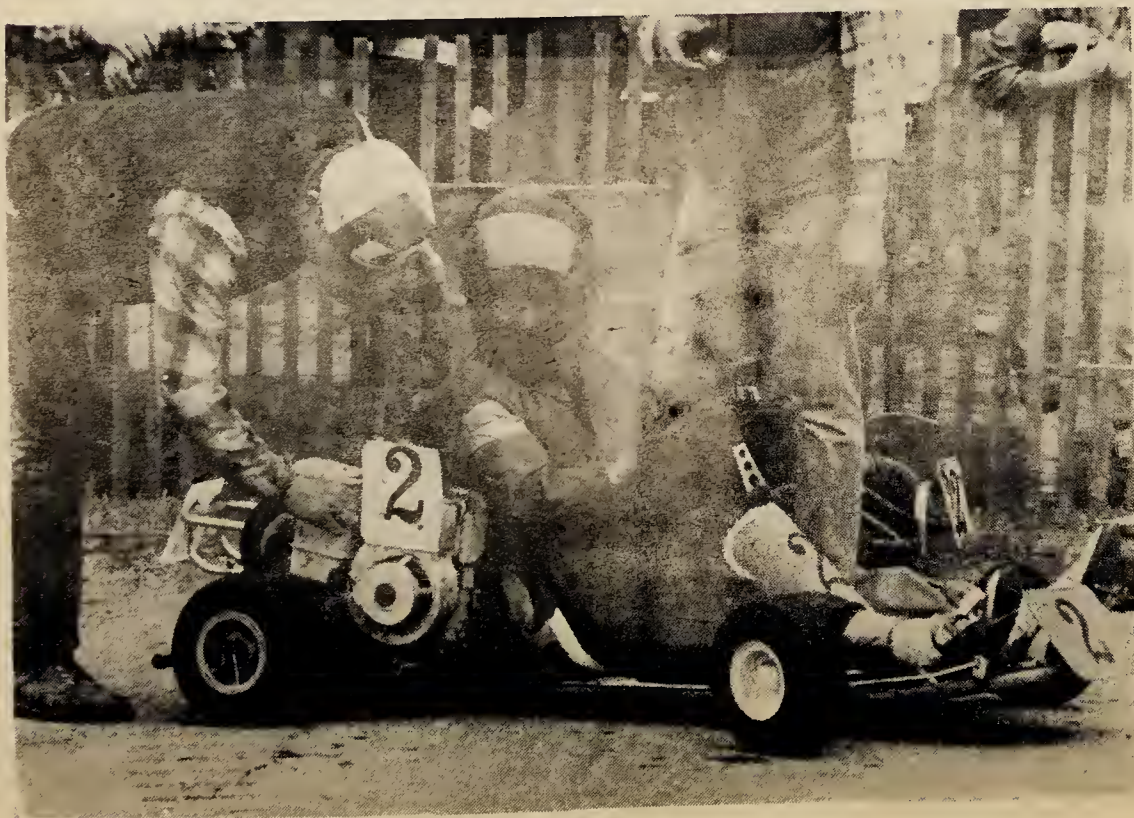
On race day, the committee met at the lawn shop at 5:45 to set up the track, make last-minute preparations, and put the bridge in place. At 8:00, the barn opened so drivers could touch up their karts if they desired to. At 9:00, the karts were brought up to the pit area, and practice laps were taken. Time trials were conducted between 10:30 and 11:15, and pole position was determined.

At noon, sophomore Maureen Field was crowned Little 500 queen. Her court consisted of senior Mardee LaMere, junior Denise McCarthy, and freshmen Heather Dunbar and Karen Deno. At 12:15, the green flag signaled the start of the race.

Keyser dominated the first three-fourths of the race and was up by four laps when a belt guard fell off his kart, thus forcing him into the pits for repairs. Out quickly, he ran second to Roach until he made up the four laps he lost and then captured the lead again.

Keyser praises his pit crew, comprised of Tim Mallone, Tom Roth, and Sue Cooney, for "getting me in and out of the pits fast all day. They were a fundamental part of my winning," he says.

Monetary prizes were awarded later in the day to the top five finishers as follows: \$500, \$250, \$125, \$75, \$50.





Loura, Caudill Top Senior Class

by Anna Williamson

Ralph Loura and Deb Caudill, valedictorian and salutatorian respectively of the class of 1986, were given plaques commemorating their academic achievement last Friday evening at the annual trustee scholarship dinner in Chicago.

Select friends, alumni, and trustees of Saint Joseph's College donated \$150 per plate to attend the dinner. This money goes toward fulfilling the cost of scholarships given by the college.

Loura, a mathematics-computer science double major, owns a perfect 4.0 grade point average. Upon graduation, he will work part-time at \$30,000 a year for AT&T Bell Labs in Naperville, Ill. At the same time, the company will be paying for Loura's school expenses as he works for his master's degree. He plans to stay with AT&T and work his way up in the designing operating systems and networks.

Loura's "key to success" comes easily for him because he enjoys and is interested in what he is doing. He spends about

two hours per day reading and doing homework. He says his most challenging course was Computer Organization with Brian Capouch. "Brian tries to give you more understanding than what's in the book. A lot of profs just teach you what's in the book and then test you on it," he says.

Loura has to be commended on his achievements here at Saint Joe's. He was sophomore class treasurer, junior class president, and Student Association president. In addition, he has tutored, been a computer lab monitor, and a three-year starter for Saint Joe's football team.

Next month, he will marry Pam Heyman, a 1985 Saint Joe graduate.

Caudill, a computer science-accounting group major, has a 3.97 G.P.A. Like Loura, she enjoys what she's studying. "I wouldn't have lasted four years if I didn't enjoy it," she says.

Caudill worked an internship in January and February with Ernst & Whinney in South Bend, and she will be working there after graduation. She will use the computer part of her major in

working as a computer auditor.

Being a top student involves setting a goal and being dedicated to that goal, says Caudill. It also involves budgeting one's time between studying and relaxing, she adds.

Many students experience problems with keeping motivated, but that hasn't been a real problem for Caudill. "I like studying," she says. "I could probably go to school forever."

Friends and parents play a big role in keeping up Caudill's confidence in herself and in keeping her motivated to study. "My friends say I can do it. My parents say I can do it," she says. "I can do it!"

Caudill lists her toughest course as being intermediate accounting with Mr. Kasky. "It definitely got me thinking about whether or not I wanted to stay in accounting," she says. "There was a big drop-out during and after his course."

Like Loura, Caudill was involved with many extracurricular activities. She was involved with dorm government for three years, Accounting/Finance Club, four intramural sports, and Blue Key treasurer.



Senior of the year, Mardee LaMere

(photo by: Brian K. Morton)

LaMere Surprised by Accolade

by Kris Schubach

Most college seniors, as they approach graduation day, like to reminisce about their most memorable moments. However, if you asked them what one single event had the greatest impact on them, the majority of these students would find it difficult to decide. One senior at St. Joseph's College has no trouble determining what event she remembers the most in her four years here, however. The senior is Mardee LaMere, and the event she will "never forget" is being chosen the 1986 Senior of the Year.

Although Mardee herself was surprised to receive the award, many faculty members may not have been. She has kept herself involved in a number of extracurricular activities such as school government, Education Club, cheerleading, and Campus Ministry. Nevertheless, she also managed to achieve academic excellence which is reflected in her involvement in Blue Key. Finally, she has also managed to work as a secretary for the Athletic Department.

Although Mardee believes organization is an important factor, she feels her greatest strength lies in her dependability.

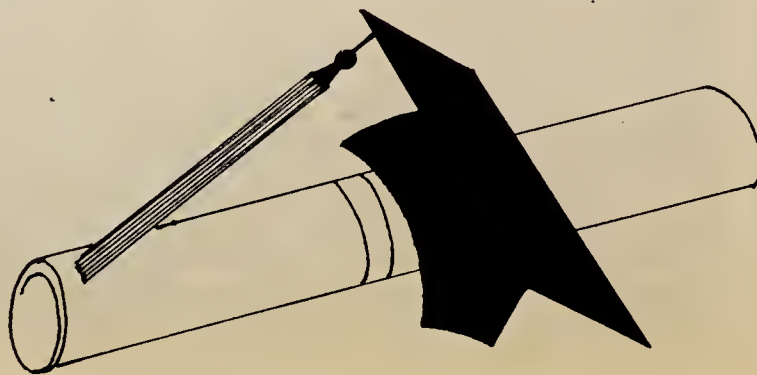
In fact, when asked what she feels her greatest contribution to St. Joe's has been, she commented, "I was always there to do the stuff no one wanted to do." Many times this meant sacrificing her own time and putting personal things aside. This did not bother her, however. "I've worked hard just because I've wanted to."

Mardee's willingness to work and get involved may result from the various influences the people at St. Joe's as well as her family have had on her over the years. She feels the biggest influence from school has been learning to develop herself as a person by "recognizing her good qualities and bringing them out." She accredits this mainly to the Core program which she recognizes has helped her "get to know

more about the world." She also believes the friendly atmosphere of the college and the interaction with people added to her overall learning process.

Coming from a large family of eleven children, of which she is seventh, has also had an impact on this senior's accomplishments. Mardee considers her family to be very close. She was encouraged to do what she wanted with assured support from each member of her family.

If there was any advice Mardee would give to remaining students at St. Joe, it is not surprisingly, to "experience all you can; do as much as you can. School goes by fast ... create memories that will last a lifetime." As Senior of the Year, Mardee has done just that.



Students Recognized At Awards Banquet

By John Rickert

Annual departmental awards were presented at the Senior Awards Banquet held April 8 in the ballroom. These awards were given to students who excelled in subjects from history to speech. The recipients of these awards are as follows.

Michele Keilman — Accounting Faculty Scholarship Award
Kevin Igo — The Douglas Ee. Bauer Memorial Award

Juniors Jeanette Klodzen and Robert Lehman and seniors Ralph Loura and Hally Hollerman — Computer Science Award

Mike Minielli — William L. Downard Prize in History

Dori Hancock — The Father Rufus Esser English Award

Christopher Blake — Future Executive Scholarship

Dorothy Jones — John Heiman Award

Debra Caudill — Indiana CPA Society Award

Paul Sommers and Annette Klinker — Edward Panozzo

Psychology Award

Mary Kooi — Adam P. Lesinsky Award

Lise Ann Westropp — Political Science Achievement Award

Mardee LaMere — SJC's Alumni Board Senior-of-the-Year

Helena Davis — Schuyler Robinson Award

Christopher Nagy — Father Urban J. Siegrist Award

Suzanne Gutwein — Signature Direct Marketing Award

Joan Gregorowicz — Award for Achievement in Sociology

Dianne Paterson — Trustees Business Award

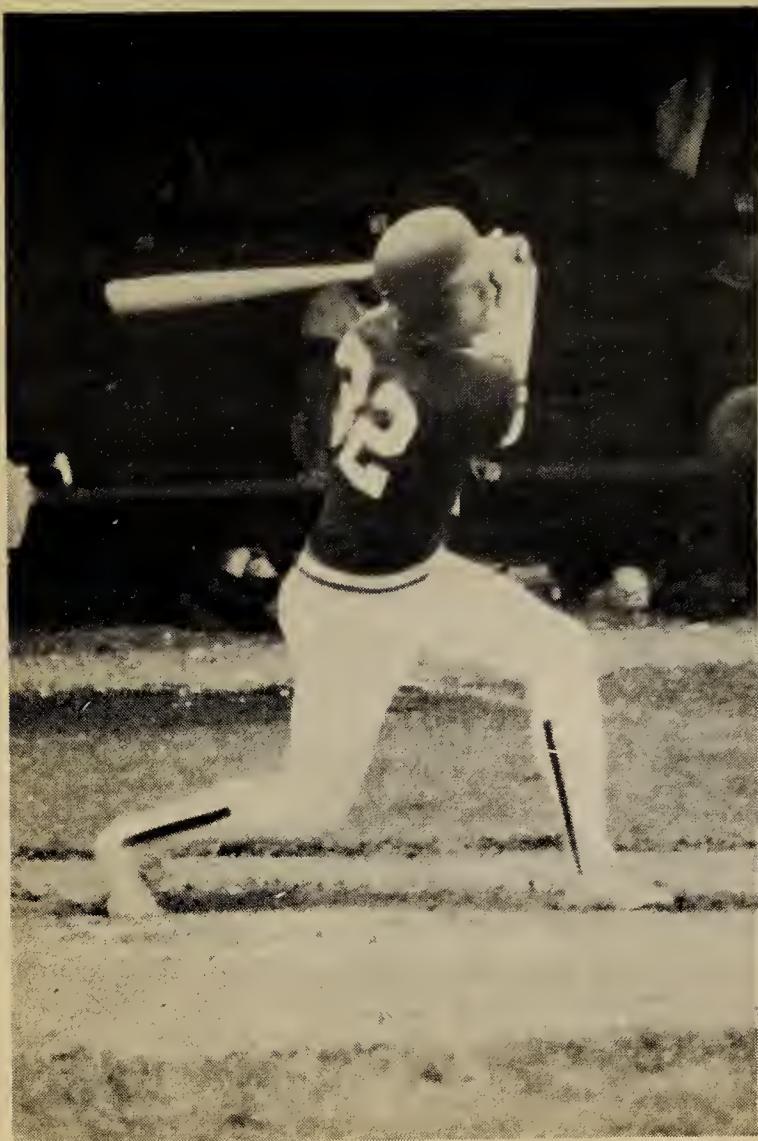
Dennis M. Haworth — Wall Street Journal Award

Mercedes Sheehy — Louis B. White Award

Thomas Madura — J. Kevin Woods Memorial Award

Matt Hapke — Gregory E. Kulavik Award

Lise Westropp and Margret Schumann — Mock Trial Recognition



Trumble: "This Has Been a Building Year, Setting the Foundation for Years Ahead"

by Kris Lavery

Let's talk about St. Joe's baseball. This year's team is relatively experienced with five seniors in starting positions, including pitchers Brad Connor and Mike Miller and fielders Brian Deno, Dale Ebeling and Ray Trumble. There are also five juniors and one sophomore in the starting lineup.

Senior Ray Trumble says, "The team has always had the talent and the potential to be a winning team, and now, finally, we have the coaching to make that happen." Dennis Stitz has been named head coach. This is his first year of coaching college baseball, and he has brought about many changes. The biggest of these changes, according to Ray, is good, organized practices. "We've been working on defensive strategies that we've never tried before. We've had a lot of game errors because we aren't familiar with the new strategies yet, and sometimes

the guys forget what to do."

The uncertainty about the new strategies seems to have led to a lack of enthusiasm on the field. Although the team has not had many injuries it is plagued with various other physical ailments: a scoreboard that does not work and a poorly maintained field that the players must cut themselves. They are, however, getting new uniforms, but they must pay for them themselves.

Ray Trumble says that the student body has been a real plus for the team this year. "More students are attending the games. They're a real morale booster." Another plus for the team is student coach Dave Lamski. For as long as Ray can remember, there has only been one coach, and the addition of an assistant coach has been a great help. "We need to be more professional. Stitz and Lamski cannot cover everything. It would be really nice to have coaches that specialize in hitting,

pitching, and defense."

Ray feels that this year has been a real learning experience for both the coach and the players. "This has been a building year, setting the foundation for the years ahead. Next year's team should be more comfortable with coach Stitz. They'll know what he expects, and they should be able to cut down on errors. Next year's team will have five experienced players returning, including the team's two best hitters and their number one pitcher." If the next year's team finishes with a good record and makes it to the tournament, they'll have a good chance at the NCAA bid. "If they adjust to the changes and feel more comfortable making the plays, they should do very well and have a shot at the bid." Good luck to this year's team for the rest of the season, and keep your hopes up for next year's team.

I just can't resist — Go Cubs!

Senior co-captain Ray Trumble illustrates good form with his swing in a recent game. (photo by: Therese Yanan)

Former Greats Face SJC Squad Saturday

by Anna Williamson

St. Joseph's annual alumni football game will take place this Saturday and will feature former Puma greats battling a young St. Joe squad.

Head coach Bill Reagan says that the game has a two-fold purpose. It is the culmination of the spring football season and gives the team a chance to improve skills, techniques, and play under game conditions against an opponent. The game also gives the football alumni the chance to come back on campus and rekindle friendships from the past.

Reagan says that the game's being scheduled the weekend after Little 500 rather than the same weekend has little effect. "The alumni usually make a choice between the two. The older they get, the less they care about Little 500 and the more they care about the football reunion," he says.

Three weeks of practice have been spent in preparation for the game. The Great Lakes Valley

Conference allows ten days of spring practice, and Reagan has spread this out over a three-week period. He says every player on the team will see action in the ballgame.

On the other hand, the alumni prepare very little for the contest. "However, they come off surprisingly well," Reagan says. "In fact, the alumni have beaten St. Joe twice in the last 15 years."

Some former Puma greats featured in this year's game include Mike Cage ('85), John Fazio ('83), Tim Callahan ('83), Terry Robichaud ('83), Mike Staudt ('82), John Geske ('81), Kevin Forrest ('81), Greg Duggin ('78), and Ralph Waldecki ('77).

Countering the attack will be St. Joe's Rory Johnson and Larry Kissinger, 1985 all-conference honorable mention selections. Other key players in the game will be Scott Brinkman (offensive tackle), Tony Hoop (defensive tackle), Joe Helmer (defensive back), and Byron Reid (offensive line), all playing in new positions.



Junior Scott Vargo and Freshman David Pederson are just two of the present St. Joe football players who will face the alumni in the annual alumni game on Saturday.

Young players Reagan is looking to for good performances are Chris Cain and Dave Council (outside linebackers), Damon Randolph (1985 J.V. quarterback), Melvin Winston (wide receiver), and Chris Blake.

Reagan says the spring season has been a period of experimentation in which different players are tried out in new positions. "No one knows who's starting. The spring season gives the kids an opportunity to show what they can do," he says. "I expect the kids to come on strong and show their year of experience."

Reagan is optimistic about next year because so much of the team is returning; only seven players graduate. The staff will also be returning, with the only change being Reagan coaching the quarterbacks rather than the defense.

Jerry Potacki, an '82 graduate, helped with the team in the fall and again this spring. Reagan also notes that seniors Pete Ippolito and Ralph Loura helped with spring drills.

Short Seasons, Weather Hinder Spring Sports

Baseball

by Mike Monahan

Friday afternoon the Puma Baseball team split a doubleheader against Northeastern Illinois on the Pumas' home field.

The first game was scoreless until the bottom of the third inning when the Pumas struck first with five runs. Two men got on base with walks. Both stole bases and a hit brought in the first run. The inning continued with stolen bases and hits, including a double that bounced off the wall and proved to be the winning hit.

In the next inning, the Pumas added a homerun which Northeastern Illinois thought had gone through a hole in the fence. The Pumas struck again in the bottom of the fifth inning when they brought in three more runs on hits and two errors by NEI. By the end of six innings, the score was 9-0.

NEI broke the Pumas shutout possibilities in the seventh inning. NEI scored after a walk and consecutive hits including a double, triple, another walk, and finally a double steal. Relief pitcher Don Steineman entered the game and struck out the first batter he faced. He walked the next three before ending the inning. That ended the game with the score SJC 9, NEI 3.

In the second game, NEI

scored one run in the second inning to take the lead. The game winning hit came in the third inning when NEI scored three runs on a homerun that went over the 401 mark in center field. They added two more runs in the sixth inning to make the score 6-1.

The Puma bats got going in the bottom of the seventh inning. The bases were loaded on singles by John Stitz, Brian McLeish and Marshall Minth. Two runs were scored on a double by Doug Ferrari. That brought the tying run to the plate with two outs. Jay Courtney struck out on a called third strike to end the game at 6-3.

Women's Track

by Katherine Conlon

This year, the women's track team is only two meets away from becoming only the third Saint Joe's sport team with an undefeated season. The only thing stopping them is a meet against St. Mary's and Franklin Colleges and the Little State meet next weekend. The record of the twenty-member team is 15-0.

Junior Kelly Kerber and four freshmen, Karen Austin, Karen Deno, Tracy Payne and Christy Pedro, round out the top five point scorers for the Pumas. Coach Dave Smith believes Kerber is the best quarter-miler in the state for small colleges. He added she is versatile because

she fills in where she is needed.

Personal injuries have not plagued the team this year. "The team has enough depth so injuries don't hurt us as much," Smith commented. He said runners like Deno and Kerber help a lot because they can win just about any event Smith puts them in.

Smith says the only major problem they have with the team is the weather. "The weather is more detrimental than injuries because it hampers our development a little bit when meets are cancelled," he said. Smith explained in the six week season, approximately 10 meets are scheduled. This year a couple meets were cancelled, so only eight meets were run.

Smith feels freshman hurdler Kim Nelson is the most improved player this year. "She has improved a great deal from the start of the season to now. She scored a lot of points we didn't expect to get by scoring in every meet."

Only two seniors will be leaving this year. However, Smith believes a few other runners will not return. He predicts eight people will be gone at the end of the season. He says if he can recruit two or three runners, the team will still be in good shape. "The top five runners will all be returning. That gives us a good nucleus to work with."

Smith concluded by saying Kerber, Austin, and Deno are close to qualifying for nationals. He added that that would be a great feat for the sport, which has only been around for 10 years and developed mostly in the past five.

Men's Tennis

by Michele Keilman

St. Joseph's men's tennis team beat IUPUI-Fort Wayne on April 13, 8 games to 1. Contrary to what the scores may indicate, the games were very tough, says head coach John Barrientos. "Five of them went into three sets, and the men were very fortunate to win them all," he adds. The one loss was by forfeit.

The season record is 5-1. Quite a few of the matches had to be cancelled because of rain. Barrientos is very happy with the season so far. It was beyond his dreams that the team would be where they are now.

The Great Lakes Valley Conference was last week. Going into the tournament, Barrientos



Freshman Kim Forsey stretches to record an out in a close call at first base. (photo by: Therese Yanan)

said if the team got a favorable draw, it would do well in the tourney. The team's last two matches of the season were last Monday and Tuesday respectively.

Women's Softball

by Diane Johnson

Inexperience has been the downfall of this year's women's softball team, holding a dismal record of 6-19. Coach Carol Cunningham states, "Although the record obviously isn't that good right now, we are improving with each game."

Cunningham says that although the team has been experiencing a few mental errors, the girls are learning to communicate with each other and are playing as well as any other team.

Ashland College has been the toughest competition this season, but with the help of Cheryl Kazmierczak (catcher), Joanne Grasser (pitcher), and Kim Keller (batting), the team has been able to hold its own.

Intramurals

by Celine Temple

Intramural hockey concluded its season on April 9 with the championship games. Winning the title for the men's league were the Gallagher Hawks, defeating the Bennett M.D.'s by scores of 4-2 and 3-0. The Halas Totally Pucked team beat the Justin Puck-Offs by scores of

5-1 and 6-1, thus winning the championship for the women's division.

For the season, the top scorers for the men's league were: Dean Severs, Rod Cook, John Luzzo, Tony Hoop, and Rick Fedder. Ellen O'Rourke, Aimee LaMere, Kammy Hires, Shellee Fuquay, Mary Ryan, and Maureen Field comprised the six leading scorers for the women's teams.

Dean Severs, director of I.M. floor hockey, comments: "The teams that won truly deserved it. Bennett lost its composure and made a mockery out of the hockey games with its antics. Gallagher then retaliated, and the championship games were ugly. For the women's division, the Puck-Offs were the best-coached team in the league. Although very inexperienced, they gave the Totally Pucked team a tremendous run for their money."

Intramural softball is progressing steadily into its spring season. In the National League, Bad Company is the first-place team with a record of 5-0. Both the Slammers and the Rebels are 3-2, tying for second place.

Leading the American League are the undefeated Lite Beer All-stars who are 5-0. Following closely behind are the Southside Packagers with a record of 4-1.

Undefeated in the women's league are the Bambino Boozers who are 4-0, the BAMFers follow in second with a 3-1 record.



Senior pitcher Mike Miller delivers a pitch in last week's game against Northeastern Illinois. (photo by: Therese Yanan)